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Chairman Ankney and Committee Members:

Thank you for your public service and willingness to take testimony on this important legislation. My name is Dan Aune, Executive Director of Mental Health America of Montana (MHA of MT). MHA of MT is a 65 year old MT mental health advocacy and education non-profit organization. We represent six affiliate chapters in MT and are an affiliate to the Mental Health America National. I represent our Board of Directors, Affiliate Chapters, and members in offering this testimony. I am unable to attend in person for the Hearing on HB 100 later this week and wanted to offer this testimony in support of HB 100.

MHA of MT stands in support of HB100 for two reasons:

#1 Children will receive more innovative and effective services

#2 Providers will enhance their service model and be rewarded for outstanding work

Thanks again for your on-going attention to all needs of Montanans.

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